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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 50642/287729

First Inventor Thomas A. RUSSELL

Title SURGICAL POSITIONERS

Express Mail Label No. EL999326022US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

- Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
- Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- Specification [Total Pages 35]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
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 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
- Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 14]
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 - ii. Paper
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS

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10. 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee)
11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations
13. Preliminary Amendment
14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

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1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity
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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	750	2001	375	Utility filing fee	770
1002	330	2002	165	Design filing fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)
770

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

		Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	35	-20 **	= 15	X 18 = 270
Independent Claims	4	-3 **	= 1	X = 86
Multiple Dependent			X	= 0

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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
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1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

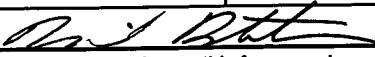
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1053	130
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1255	1,970
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1402	320
1403	280
1451	1,510
1452	110
1453	1,300
1501	1,300
1502	470
1503	630
1460	130
1807	50
1806	180
8021	40
1809	750
1810	750
1801	750
1802	900
1809	2809
2810	375
2801	375
1802	900
Other fee (specify) _____	

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